

CONGRESSMAN

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WELCOMES YOU TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

Please note: The operating hours and tour availability of these attractions may change without notice. Please call ahead to confirm all planned visits. Enjoy your time in Washington, D.C.!

- **Air Force Memorial:** The United States Air Force Memorial honors the service and sacrifices of the men and women of the United States Air Force and its predecessor organizations. The three spires also represent the three core values of the Air Force (integrity, service before self, and excellence in all that is done) and the Air Force's total force (active, guard and reserve). The memorial was dedicated on October 14, 2006. The Memorial is open every day of the year. Hours are 8am to 11pm, April 1st to September 30th; and 8am to 9pm October 1st to March 31st. Located at: One Air Force Memorial Drive, Arlington, VA. Nearest Metro stop: Pentagon City (1 mile). Website: www.airforcememorial.org/index.asp
- **Albert Einstein Memorial:** A 12-foot tall statue of the great scientist sculpted by Robert Berks sits on the grounds of the National Academy of Sciences at Constitution and 22nd NW. In its left hand, the figure holds a paper with mathematical equations summarizing three of Einstein's most important scientific contributions: the photoelectric effect, the theory of general relativity, and the equivalence of energy and matter. Three quotations from Einstein are engraved on the bench where the figure is seated. At his feet is a 28-foot field of granite embedded with more than 2,700 metal studs representing the planets, sun, moon, and stars accurately positioned as they were on the day of the memorial's dedication in 1979. Nearest Metro stop: Foggy Bottom-GWU.
- **Arlington National Cemetery:** The Amphitheatre, Custis-Lee Mansion, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and graves of Presidents Kennedy and Taft. Changing of the Guard at the Tomb is every hour on the hour, and every half hour during the summer months. Open daily October through March from 8am-5pm and April through September from 8am-7pm. Phone: (703) 607-8000. Website: www.arlingtoncemetery.org. Parking is available for \$2/hour. Nearest Metro stop: Arlington Cemetery.
- **Botanic Gardens:** Open daily from 10am-5pm. Admission is free. Free 45-minute guided tours are offered daily; check at the information desk on arrival for availability. There is also a self-guided audio tour that is available at any time. Group of 10-25 adults may reserve a tour. These tours are usually available Monday through Friday at 10:30am and 1:30pm and on weekends when space permits. Please make tour reservations at least 4-6 weeks in advance by calling (202) 225-1116. In general, due to the group-size limitations and the in-depth nature of the docent-led tours, the U.S. Botanic Garden does not offer tours for children or school groups. Located at 1st and Maryland SW. Phone: (202) 225-8333. Website: www.usbg.gov. Nearest Metro stop: Federal Center SW.
- **Bureau of Engraving and Printing:** See how U.S. currency is printed. Tours are available Monday through Friday except federal holidays. During the off-peak season (September through February), tours are offered from 9am to 2pm and no tickets are required. From March through August, tour hours are extended from 9am to 7pm and tickets are available the day of the tour on a first-come first-served basis. One individual can acquire up to five tickets and must have a valid photo ID to pick up tickets. The ticket booth opens at 8am; lines form early and tickets go quickly. Located at 14th and C Streets SW. Enter on the west side of 14th and C streets. Phone: (202) 874-3019. Website: www.bep.treas.gov/tours/washingtondctours.html. Nearest Metro stop: Smithsonian.
- **Corcoran Gallery:** With over 14,000 pieces of European and American Art, this is the largest private museum in Washington. Prices: \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, free for children 12 & under and military personnel (with ID). Prices may vary with special events; check their website. Hours: Wednesday through Sunday, 10am-5pm. Open until 9pm on Thursdays. Located on 17th and New York Avenue NW. The main entrance is on 17th Street. Access for those with disabilities is on 1701 East Street (around the corner from the main entrance). Tours (free with admission) are available every

day at noon. Large group tours should be arranged at least 4 weeks in advance. Phone: (202) 639-1700. Website: www.corcoran.org/index.asp. Nearest Metro stop: Farragut West.

- Federal Bureau of Investigation: Closed until further notice.
- **Ford's Theatre and Lincoln Museum:** Recently reopened after renovation. Tours are available from 9am to 5pm (final entry at 4:30pm). The museum is open from 9am to 5pm (final entry at 4pm). Admission is free, but a time-specific ticket is required—go to the box office for same-day tickets or Ticketmaster for advance tickets (Ticketmaster fees apply). Consult the website for a calendar of upcoming performances. Located at 10th Street between E and F Streets NW. Phone: (202) 426-6924. Website: www.fordstheatre.org/home. Nearest Metro stop: Metro Center
- **Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial:** The memorial traces twelve years of American History through a sequence of four outdoor rooms-each one devoted to one of FDR's terms of office. Located in West Potomac Park, south of the Lincoln Memorial. Open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Phone: (202) 376-6704. Website: www.nps.gov/fdrm/index.htm.
- **Georgetown:** Wisconsin Avenue and M Street are the two main streets lined with shops, boutiques, restaurants, and nightclubs in the old colonial section. Visit the Old Stone House, the oldest standing house in Washington. Nearest Metro stop: Foggy Bottom.
- **Holocaust Memorial Museum:** A living memorial to the Holocaust, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum inspires citizens and leaders worldwide to confront hatred, promote human dignity, and prevent genocide. Open daily, from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., except for Christmas and Yom Kippur. Free general admission, unless you wish to see the permanent exhibit, which requires a ticket in advance (800-400-9373.) Located at 100 Raoul Wallenberg place, just south of Independence Avenue SW near 14th Street. Phone: (202) 488-0400. Website: www.ushmm.org. Nearest Metro stop: Smithsonian.
- International Spy Museum: Chronicles the history of spying throughout the ages and across the globe.

 Largest collection of international espionage-related artifacts open to the public. Open Monday through Friday 9:30am to 6pm, last admission at 4pm, and Saturdays 9:30 am to 7pm, last admission at 5pm. The museum is closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. Admission: \$18 for Adults; \$17 for seniors; and \$15 for children in grades K-12. Please add \$2.00 per ticket when purchasing tickets online at spymuseum.org. Located at 800 F Street NW. Phone: (202) 393-7798. Website: www.spymuseum.org. Nearest Metro stop: Gallery Place-Chinatown.
- **Jefferson Memorial:** Open 24 hours a day. Rangers are on duty to answer questions from 9:30am to 11:30pm daily. Located at the south bank of the Tidal Basin. At the Swan Boathouse, you can rent a pedal boat to cruise the Basin. Phone: (202) 426-6841. Website: www.nps.gov/thje.
- **John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts:** Free tours of the Kennedy Center are given by the Friends of the Kennedy Center from 10am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday, and 10am to 1pm, Saturday and Sunday. Public tours begin approximately every 10 minutes, walk-ins welcome. Group tours (20 or more) can be booked by calling the Visitor's Center at (202) 416-8340, 10am to 9pm daily. Group tours are scheduled every half-hour until 4:30pm on weekdays and 12:30 pm on weekends. Located at 2700 F Street NW. Phone: (202) 467-4600. Website: www.kennedy-center.org. Nearest Metro stop: Foggy Bottom.
- **Korean War Memorial:** The Memorial bears witness to the patriotism, devotion to duty, and courage of Korean War veterans. Open 24 hours a day. Rangers are on duty to answer questions from 9:30am to 11:30pm daily. Westbound Independence Avenue at 23rd Street, SW. Phone: (202) 619-7222. Website: www.nps.gov/kwvm.
- **Library of Congress:** The Library of Congress is open from 8:30am to 4:30pm, Monday through Saturday. All Library of Congress buildings are closed on Sundays and Federal Holidays. Public tours are offered at the following times: Monday—Friday at 10:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, and 3:30pm; and Saturday at 10:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, and 2:30pm. Reservations are required for groups of 12 or more. Tours can be reserved from four weeks to four months in advance. Located in the Jefferson Building at 1st and Independence SE. Phone: (202) 707-9779. Website: www.loc.gov/index.html. Nearest Metro stops: Capitol South and Union Station.
- **Lincoln Memorial:** "In this temple, as in the hearts of the people for whom he saved the Union, the memory of Abraham Lincoln is enshrined forever." Beneath these words, the 16th President of the United States—the Great Emancipator and preserver of the nation during the Civil War—sits immortalized in marble. Open 24 hours a day. Rangers are on duty to

- answer questions from 9:30am to 11:30pm daily. Located at West Potomac Park at the foot of 23rd Street. Phone: (202) 426-6841. Website: www.nps.gov/linc.
- **Marine Corps Evening Parade:** Every Friday evening at 8:45 from May through August, the Marine Barracks Washington presents the Evening Parade. A one hour and fifteen minute performance of music and precision marching, the Evening Parade has become a symbol of the professionalism, discipline, and esprit de corps of the United States Marines. Once the annual schedule is announced in February, free reservations can be made through the website. The Barracks is located at 8th and I Streets SE. Website: www.mbw.usmc.mil/ParadeDefault.asp. Nearest Metro stop: Eastern Market.
- Marine Corps (Iwo Jima) Memorial: The United States Marine Corps War Memorial, better known as the Iwo Jima Memorial depicts one of the most historic battles of World War II, the battle of Iwo Jima. The memorial is dedicated to all marines who have given their lives in battle. George Washington Parkway and I-66 in Arlington, Virginia. Open daily.
 - **The Sunset Parade:** Every Tuesday at 7 pm from June through mid-August, the Marine Corps presents a Sunset Parade from at the Memorial, which is similar to the Evening Parade. It is open to the public at no charge and no reservations are available. Spacious lawns provide ample room for guests to bring lawn chairs and blankets. No other type of seating is available, except for invited guests of the Parade Reviewing Officials. Phone: (703) 289-2500. Website: www.nps.gov/gwmp/usmc.htm. Nearest Metro stops: Rosslyn and Arlington Cemetery.
- **Mount Vernon:** Visit George Washington's home in nearby Fairfax County, VA (at the southern end of the George Washington Memorial Parkway). Open 365 days a year. Hours: April through August, 8am to 5pm; March, September, and October, 9am to 5pm; November through February, 9am to 4pm. Tours: March through October, 9:30am, 1pm, and 3pm; November through December, 1pm and 3pm. Admission: \$15 for adults, \$14 for senior citizens, \$7.00 for children ages 6-11, free for children ages 5 and under. Phone: (703) 780-2000. Website: www.mountvernon.org. No public transit; accessible only by car (address: 3200 Mt Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon, VA 22309).
- National Aquarium, Baltimore: Not to be confused with the National Aquarium in Washington, DC, the Baltimore National Aquarium is the largest tourist attraction in Maryland. Open every day, 9am to 5pm, and 9am to 8pm on Fridays. General Aquarium admission: adult: \$25; senior: \$24; child: \$20. Located at: 501 East Pratt Street, Baltimore, Maryland, 21202. Phone: (410) 576-3800 Website: www.aqua.org/index.html.
- **National Aquarium, Washington, DC:** Tanks for fish, frogs, alligators, sharks, etc. The DC National Aquarium is operated by the Baltimore National Aquarium but is much smaller. Open daily from 9am to 5pm, except Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Last admission is at 4:30 p.m. Admission: adults \$7; seniors and military personnel \$6; children ages 2-10 \$3; children under 2 free. Located at 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania NW, in the Department of Commerce building. Phone: (202) 482-2825. Website: www.nationalaquarium.com. Nearest Metro stop: Federal Triangle.
- **National Arboretum:** The Arboretum has a wide variety of gardens spanning over 446 acres, located about 2.2 miles northeast of the Capitol Building. Features include aquatic plants collections, a classical Chinese garden, and a national herb garden. Open daily from 8am-5pm, with the exception of Christmas Day. Admission is free. Website: www.usna.usda.gov. Nearest Metro stop: Stadium Armory.
- National Archives: See the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights in new, more accessible encasements, and discover the role that records play in the history of our country. Guided tours are available at 9:45 am, Monday-Friday. Self guided tours are available at any time. For either kind of tour, you can wait in line at the entrance but reservations are recommended, particularly during peak tourist seasons (spring, summer and holidays). Visitors can reserve up to 15 spots for a guided tour or up to 100 spots for a self-guided tour. There is a \$1.50 per person fee for reserved tours. Open every day except Thanksgiving and Christmas. Hours: March 15 through Labor Day, 10am to 7pm; after Labor Day through March 14, 10am to 5:30pm. Located at 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, between 7th and 9th Streets. The Rotunda entrance, which includes the Exhibit Hall, is on Constitution Avenue. Phone: 1-877-444-6777. TDD: 1-877-833-6777. Website: www.archives.gov/nae/visit/reserved-visits.html. Nearest Metro stop: Archives-Navy Memorial.
- **National Building Museum:** America's premier cultural institution dedicated to exploring and celebrating architecture, design, engineering, construction, and urban planning. Open to Monday through Saturday, 10am to 5pm, and Sunday, 11am to 5pm. Admission is free, although a donation of \$5 per person is suggested. Free tours last 45 minutes and are offered daily at 11:30, 12:30, and 1:30. Reservations are not required for groups of 9 or fewer. Located at 401 F Street NW, between 4th and 5th Streets. Phone: (202) 272-2448. Website: www.nbm.org. Nearest Metro station: Judiciary Square.

- National Cathedral: Located at Massachusetts Ave and Wisconsin Ave NW. Open Monday through Friday 10am to 5:30pm, Saturday 10am to 4:30pm, Sunday 8am to 5pm. Tours offered Monday through Saturday 10am to 11:30am and also from 12:45 pm to 3:30 pm. On Sunday, tours are between 1pm and 2:30pm. Reservations required for groups larger than 13. A donation of \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors, children and military personnel, or \$15 per family is requested. Phone: (202) 537-6200. Website: www.nationalcathedral.org/visit. Nearest Metro stop: Tenleytown-AU.
- **National Gallery of Art**: Permanent collection of American and European art plus changing exhibitions. Go to www.nga.gov/calendar for a current list of guided tours, lectures and public events. Free admission. Located on the north side of the Mall between 4th St and 7th St NW. Open Monday-Saturday 10am to 5pm and Sunday 11am to 6pm. Closed Christmas Day and New Years Day. Admission is free. Phone: (202) 737-4215. Website: www.nga.gov. Nearest Metro stop: Archives-Navy Memorial.
- **National Geographic Museum:** At the National Geographic Museum, past and current expeditions, adventures, and scientific research come to life. Enjoy a wide variety of changing exhibitions as well as permanent and interactive displays that reflect the richness and diversity of our world. Located at 17th and M Streets NW. Hours: Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm, Sunday 10am-5pm. Closed Christmas Day. The Museum charges for admission to some exhibits. Website: events.nationalgeographic.com/events/locations/center/museum. Nearest Metro stops: Farragut North and Farragut West.
- National Museum of the U.S. Navy: Devoted to the display of naval artifacts, models, documents and fine art, the museum chronicles the history of the United States Navy from the American Revolution to present-day conflicts. Admission is free. Individuals over the age of 16 must have a valid government-issued ID. Open Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm., weekends and holidays, 10am to 5pm. Closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Years' Day. Located at 901 M Street SE. Parking is available for a fee in the lot adjacent to the Navy Yard at the intersection of 6th and M St SE. Phone: (202) 433-4882. Website: www.history.navy.mil/branches/org8-1.htm. Nearest Metro stops: Navy Yard and Eastern Market.
- **National Museum of Women in the Arts**: Recognizing the achievements of women artists of all periods and nationalities by exhibiting and researching art by women. Open Monday through Saturday from 10:00am to 5:00pm; on Sunday from noon to 5:00pm. Located at 1250 New York Avenue NW. Admission: adults \$1; seniors (60 and over) \$8; students with ID \$8; youth 18 and under free. Free Communities Days are the first Sunday of every month. Special group tours are available by prearrangement. Phone: (202) 783-5000. Website: www.nmwa.org. Nearest Metro station: Metro Center and McPherson Square.
- **National Zoological Park:** The National Zoo grounds are open daily, except for Christmas. Hours: 10am-5pm for November through March; 10am-6pm for April through October. No pets allowed. Call to make reservations for free tours. Located at 3001 Connecticut Avenue NW. Phone: (202) 673-4800. Website: nationalzoo.si.edu. Nearest Metro stops: Woodley Park-Zoo and Cleveland Park.
- **Newseum:** The Newseum offers visitors an experience that blends five centuries of news history with up-to-the-second technology and hands-on exhibits. Open daily from 9am to 5pm, closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Ticket prices: Adults: \$20, Seniors: \$18, 7-18 year olds: \$13, 6 and under: free.
- Octagon House: This octagon-shaped house, built between 1798 and 1800, was designed by Dr. William Thornton, the architect of the U.S. Capitol. President James Madison signed the Treaty of Ghent here to end the War of 1812. Prearranged group tours are available by appointment only. To arrange a tour, please call (202) 638-3221. Located at 18th St and New York Ave NW (3 blocks from the White House). Website: www.nps.gov/history/Nr/travel/wash/dc22.htm. Nearest Metro stop: Farragut West.
- **Old Post Office Pavilion:** The former headquarters of U.S. Postal Service was built in a Romanesque style in 1899. After sitting vacant for decades, the Old Post Office now houses shops, restaurants, daily entertainment and a dramatic view of the city from the 315-foot clock tower (the 3rd tallest structure in Washington). Free admission to tower. Located at 1100 Pennsylvania Ave NW. Phone: (202) 606-8691. Website: www.oldpostofficedc.com. Nearest Metro stop: Federal Triangle.
- **Pentagon:** See the Flag Corridor and the Hall of Heroes. Tours are conducted Monday through Friday from 9am to 3pm. Tours can be arranged through the Pentagon's website. Tours must be reserved at least 2 weeks in advance and more advance notice is recommended, particularly during the spring and summer months. Located across the 14 Street Bridge in Virginia. Phone: (703) 695-3325. Website: http://pentagon.afis.osd.mil. Nearest Metro stop: Pentagon.

Phillips Collection: Paintings by Renoir and Rothko, Bonnard and O'Keeffe, van Gogh and Diebenkorn are among the many stunning impressionist and modern works that fill this museum's distinctive building (including Renoir's famous "Luncheon of the Boating Party"). The Phillips Collection is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10am to 5pm, with extended evening hours on Thursdays until 8:30pm, and on Sundays from 11am to 6pm. The Phillips is closed on Mondays. Tickets may be purchased by donation at the museum or online, with no charge for visitors 18 and under. Located at 1600 21st Street NW, near the corner of 21st and Q Streets NW. Phone: (202) 387-2151. Website: www.phillipscollection.org. Nearest Metro stop: Dupont Circle, North Exit.

Smithsonian Institution museums: Free admission. All are open daily, except Christmas Day. The hours are 10am to 5:30pm unless otherwise noted. Phone: (202) 357-2700. Website: www.si.edu.

- American Art Museum: 8th and F Streets NW. Open 11:30am to 7pm.
- Anacostia Museum & Center for African American History and Culture: 1901 Fort Place SE.
- Arthur M. Sackler Gallery of Asian Art: 1050 Independence Ave SW (south side of the Mall at 10th Street).
- **Arts and Industries Museum**: South side of the National Mall at 9th Street.
- Freer Gallery of Asian Art: South side of the National Mall at 12th Street.
- **Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden**: South side of the Mall at 7th Street.
- National Air and Space Museum: South side of the Mall between 4th Street and 7th Street.
 - o Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center: 14390 Air and Space Museum Pkwy, Chantilly, VA.
- National Museum of African Art: 1050 Independence Ave SW (south side of the Mall at 10th Street).
- National Museum of American History: North side of the Mall between 12th and 14th Streets.
- National Museum of the American Indian: South side of the Mall between 3rd St and 4th St SW
- National Museum of Natural History: North side of the Mall between 9th and 12th Streets.
- National Portrait Gallery: 8th and F Streets NW. Open 11:30am to 7pm daily.
- National Postal Museum: 2 Massachusetts Ave NE (adjacent to Union Station).
- **Renwick Gallery of American Art**: Contemporary American craft and decorative arts. Located at 17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW (one block from the White House).
- Smithsonian Institution Building (The Castle): South side of the Mall at 10th Street.

Most Smithsonian Institution museums are located on the National Mall. Nearby Metro stops include:

- **Smithsonian**—south side of Mall at 12th
- Federal Triangle—2 blocks north of Mall at 12th
- **Archives**—2 blocks north of Mall at 7th St NW
- **Federal Center SW**—3 blocks south of Mall at 3rd St SW

State Department: Tours of the Diplomatic Reception Rooms are conducted by reservation only Monday through Friday at 9:30am, 10:30am, 2:45pm. Closed on federal holidays. This is a fine arts tour that lasts approximately 45 minutes and is not recommended for children under 12. No strollers, backpacks, briefcases, or packages allowed. Reservations are required and may be requested through the website or by phone. The Diplomatic Reception Rooms are on the 8th floor of the main State Department building located at 2201 C Street NW. Phone: (202) 647-3241. Telecommunication Device for the Deaf: (202) 736-4474. Website: https://receptiontours.state.gov/index.cfm. Nearest Metro stop: Foggy Bottom.

Supreme Court: The building is open from 9 am-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. It is closed Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays. The Supreme Court offers a variety of educational programs. Exhibits (which are changed periodically) and a theater, where a film on the Supreme Court is shown, are located on the ground floor. Lectures in the Courtroom are typically given every hour on the half-hour, on days that the Court is not sitting, beginning at 9:30am and concluding at 3:30pm. Located at 1st St. and Maryland Ave. Phone: (202) 479-3211. Web address: www.supremecourt.gov/visiting. Nearest Metro stops: Union Station and Capitol South.

Oral Arguments: Arguments before the Court are open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. Beginning the first Monday in October, the Court generally hears two one-hour arguments a day, at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m., with occasional afternoon sessions. Arguments are held on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays in two-week intervals through late April. Before a Court session begins, two lines form on the plaza in front of the building. One is for those who wish to attend an entire argument. The other is a three-minute line for those who wish to observe the Court in session for a brief time. In mid-May, after the oral argument portion of the annual term has concluded, the Court takes the bench on Mondays at 10 a.m. for the release of orders and opinions. This continues until all the cases heard during the term are decided, usually the last week in June. These sessions, which typically last 15-30 minutes, are also open to the public.

- **Treasury Department**: Advanced reservations are required and may be made through our office. Guided tours of the Main Treasury Building, located next to the White House, are offered on most Saturday mornings at 9:00, 9:45, 10:30 and 11:15. The approximate length is 60 minutes. Visitors must enter through the south building entrance located at 15th Street and Hamilton Place, NW (Washington Monument side). Enter through the gate in the iron fence by pressing the call button for admittance. Phone: (202) 622-2000. Website: www.treas.gov/offices/management/curator/tours.shtml. Nearest Metro stop: Metro Center.
- **U.S. Capitol:** Visit the website to reserve a tour up to 90 days in advance. Tours of the U.S. Capitol are free, but time-specific tickets are required. The Capitol is open Monday-Saturday, 8:30am to 4:30pm, but is closed for Christmas, New Year's Day, and Thanksgiving. Tours last approximately one hour. House and Senate gallery passes are available from my office. Food, water, large bags, and sharp items are prohibited in the Capitol; please check the website for a complete list of prohibited items. Phone: (202) 622-2000. Website: tours.visitthecapitol.gov. Nearest Metro stop: Capitol South.
- **U.S. Naval Observatory:** Evening tours are available on selected Monday evenings from 8:30pm to 10pm, except on Federal holidays. Located at 34th and Massachusetts Ave NW. Schedule tours online. Requests for reservations should be submitted at least 4 6 weeks before a scheduled tour. Considerable walking is involved on hilly ground in the dark, and you should be on site by 8pm. You can request tours online at www.usno.navy.mil/USNO/tours-events. Nearest Metro stop: Woodley Park-Zoo.
- **Vietnam War Memorial:** Constructed out of black granite, it honors and recognizes all Americans who served in the Vietnam War. As a tribute to those who did not return, the names of more than 58,000 who either gave their lives or did not return are inscribed in the Memorial's walls. The names are in chronological order. Open 24 hours a day, with rangers on duty to answer questions from 9am to 11:30pm daily. The Wall is located between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial, along Constitution Avenue between 21st and 23rd Streets NW. Website: www.nps.gov/vive. Nearest Metro Stop: Foggy Bottom.
- **Washington Monument:** The Monument lies near the center of the National Mall, between the U.S. Capitol and the Lincoln Memorial. Open daily from Memorial Day through Labor Day, 9am-10pm, and September through Memorial Day 9am-5pm, and is closed on Christmas and July 4th. Tickets are required to enter the obelisk and enjoy the view from the top. Same-day tickets are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis and are free. The Lodge (on 15th Street) opens at 8:30am, but lines often form as early as 7am. Each person may claim up to 6 tickets. Tickets may be reserved in advance through the website for a \$1.50 fee. During the summer, reservable tickets are often booked a month in advance. Visitor's Center phone: (202) 426-6841. Website: www.nps.gov/wamo/index.htm. Nearest Metro stop: Smithsonian.
- Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts: The nation's first National Park for the performing arts offers opera, symphonic music, pop concerts, jazz, and ballet. Concerts are given all winter in "the Barns," which has 350 indoor seats; the Filene Center has approximately 7,000 indoor/outdoor seats. Located on Virginia Route 7, at 1635 Trap Road, Vienna, VA. For tickets, please call ahead to 1-877-WOLFTRAP. Phone: (703) 255-1900. Web address: www.wolf-trap.org. Bus service from West Falls Church Metro station.
- **World War II Memorial:** The World War II Memorial commemorates the sacrifice and celebrates the victory of "the greatest generation." Open 24 hours a day, with rangers on duty to answer questions from 9am-11:30pm daily. Located at the eastern end of the reflecting pool along 17th Street. Website: www.nps.gov/nwwm/index.

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